

REMARKS

By this amendment, Applicants have amended claim 4 to be in independent form by including therein all of the limitations of claim 1, from which claim 4 previously depended. Accordingly, claim 1 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 2, 3, 8, 11, 14 and 15 amended to depend from claim 4.

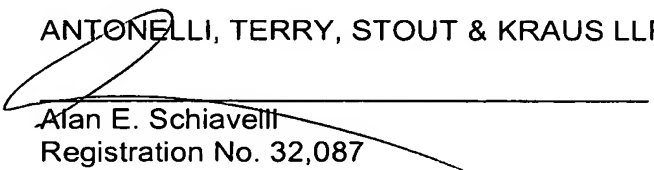
In view of the foregoing amendments, including rewriting claim 4 in independent form, canceling claim 1 and amending the dependency all of the claims so that all of the dependent claims now ultimately depend from claim 4, it is submitted the rejection of claims 1-3, 8, 9 and 11-15 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) in numbered section 2 of the Office Action is moot.

Applicants note the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 4-6. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is submitted all of the claims now in the application are in condition for allowance.

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